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By: Michele Hollis
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in the above-referenced U.S. patent application:

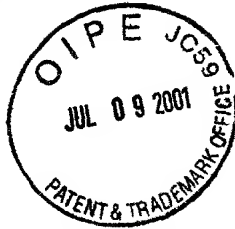
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1640 to cover the total filing fee (\$1,340); the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) (\$130); the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) (\$130) and the Assignment recordal fee (\$40);
- ☒ Prior to the calculation of the filing fee, please enter the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith.

Basic Fee -								\$ 710.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (270.00)								
Foreign Language Surcharge (\$130.00)								
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EXTRA CLAIMS	Total Claims	55	20	35	x	\$ 18.	=	\$ 630.00
	Independent Claims	3	3	0	x	\$ 80.	=	\$
TOTAL FILING FEE							=	\$ 1340.00

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- ☒ Return receipt postage prepaid postcard;
 - ☒ Formalities Letter (Part 2) mailed May 21, 2001;
 - ☒ Patent Application Data Entry form;
 - ☒ Applicant hereby requests that the enclosed verified English translation of the specification and the new claims set forth in the Preliminary Amendment submitted herewith be used for examination purposes in the Patent Office;
 - ☒ Preliminary Amendment;
 - ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney, signed by the Applicant on May 10, 2001 and attached to verified English translation of the specification;
 - ☒ Assignment executed on May 10, 2001, together with separate transmittal form PTO-1595
 - ☒ Please include assignee information when this application is publishedAssignee: **Deutsches Zentrum für Luft-und Raumfahrt e.V.**
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 - ☒ Six (6) sheets of formal drawings, together with transmittal letter;
 - ☒ Certified copies of priority documents, German patent application no. 100 13 409.2 filed March 17, 2000, German patent application no. 201 02 569.8 filed February 8, 2001 and European patent application no. 01 102 981.6 filed February 8, 2001 , together with transmittal letter;
 - ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, together with Form PTO-1449 and copies of the cited documents;
 - ☒ Request for corrected Filing Receipt.

Having now complied with all of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.53, Applicant respectfully requests that this application be placed upon the files for examination.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0625.

Respectfully submitted,

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